GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:87
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INDUSTRIALLY BACKWARD DISTRICTS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the names and number of industrially backward districts in the country, State-wise ;

(b) whether the Government have drawn up any specific plan for industrial development of these districts, particularly in respect of Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh and Bihar ; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN SINGH)

(a) to (c) : A statement is laid on the table of the House.

The Statement referred in reply to Parts (a) to (c) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 87 for Answer on 28-07-2000

(a) : Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenuehad vide Notification No. S.O.714(E), dated 7.10.1997 declared 123 industrially backward districts in the country classified as Category `A` and Category `B` for grant of concession under the Income Tax Act, 1961. Statewise list of these districts is at Annex. I.

(b) & (c) : Under Section 80-IB of the Income Tax Act, industrial undertakings which begin operations after 1.10.1994 but before 31.3.2000 are entitled to a 100% tax holiday for a period of five years in Category A industrially backward districts and three years tax holiday in Category B districts. Such Industrial Undertakings in both categories of districts are entitled to a further deductionof 25% (30% in the case of companies) from their profits and gains for a period of another five years.
Besides, the Government has in operation other Centrally Sponsored Schemes in backward areas selected according to the parameters of each scheme and Policy Measures to promote industrial development of backward areas throughout the country. These are :-
Integrated Infrastructure Development Scheme : Implemented by the Ministry of Small Scale Industries & Agro and Rural Industries, it envisages development of infrastructure facilities for small industries to facilitate location of industries in rural backward arreas.-:

2 :-Growth Centre Scheme :Under this scheme 71 growth centres are being developed throughout the country in select backward areas which would provide basic infrastructure like power, water, telecommunication, sewage, effluent disposal etc. so as to attract industries. The growth centres are located in backward areas identified under the scheme by the Planning Commission, on the basis of selection and recommendation of the respective State Governments. Transport Subsidy Scheme : To promote industries in notified hilly, remote and inaccessible areas, subsidy ranging from 50%- 90% is admissible on transport costs incurred on movement of raw materials/ finished goods to & from designated rail heads/ports.
Industrial Policy Package for North East: Considering its peculiar geographical problems and continued backwardness, a new Industrial Policy and other concessions were announced for the North East Region in December, 1997. Schemes as at 1 & 2 above cover the States of Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh and Bihar.A list of growth centres and IID centres sanctioned for these States is at Annex. II.

ANNEXURE - I

Annexure referred in reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 87 for answer on 28-7-2000

LIST OF INDUSTRIALLY BACKWARD DISTRICTS IN THE COUNTRY, AS NOTIFIED BY THE MINISTRY OF FIN DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE VIDE NOTIFICATRION NO. 714(E) DATED 07-10-97

Category`A`	Category `B`
Bihar	Andhra Pradesh
Godda	Srikakulam
Gumla	Mahbubnagar
Araria	
Madhepura	Bihar
Dumka	

Khagaria Katiyar
Kishanganj Bhagalpur
Palamau Gopalganj
Madhubani Darbhanga
Jehanabad West- Champaran
Saharsa Saran
Nawadah Bhojpur
Sitamarhi Samastipur
Sahebganj Deoghar
Aurangabad Nalanda
East-Champaran Gaya
Purnia Muzaffarpur Siwan Rohtas
Vaishali GUJARAT
Lohar-dagga
GUJARAT Banaskantha
Sabarkantha
The Dangs
KERALA KARNATAKA
Idukki Bidar
Wayanad

Category `A` Category`B`

MADHYA PRADESH MADHYA PRADESH
Mandla Seoni
Panna Tikamgarh
Bastar Shivpuri
Sarguja Balaghat
Chhatarpur Jhabua
MAHARASHTRA Sidhi
Vidisha
Gadchiroli Raigarh
ORISSA Morena
Betul
Phulbani Rajgarh
Kalahandi Rajnandgaon
RAJASTHAN Sagar

Jalore MAHARASHTRA Barmer Jaisalmer Beed
Churu ORISSA
Banswara
UTTAR PRADESH Bolangir
Mayurbhanj
Sidharthanagar Balasore
Baharaich Ganjam
Pratapgarh RAJASTHAN
Maharajganj
Banda Dungarpur
Basti Dholpur
Chamoli Sawai- Madhopur
Uttarkashi Tonk
Almora Nagaur
Pithoragarh Sikar
Tehri- Garhwal Jhalawar
Category `A` Category `B`
WEST BENGAL UTTAR PRADESH
Malda Mau
West-Dinajpur Hardoi
Murshidabad Lalitpur
Coochbehar Hamirpur
Bankura Badaun
Jalpaiguri Fatehpur
Azamgarh
Etah
Barabanki
Etawah
Deoria
Ghazipur
Ballia
Jaunpur
Sitapur
Jalaun
Unnao
Faizabad
Kanpur-Dehat
Mainpuri
Gonda
Farukhabad
Sultanpur

Mirzapur

WEST BENGAL

Purulia
Midnapore
Birbhum

Annexure referred in reply to parts (b) & (c) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 87 for answer on 28.7.2000

List of Growth Centres and IID Centres sanctioned in Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh and Bihar

STATE	LOCATION OF GROWTH CNETRES	IID CENTRES
RAJASTHAN	Abu-Road (Sirohi) Jodhpur (Bikaner)	Bhilwara (Bhilwara) Nagaur Khara (Bikaner) Tonk Dholpur (Dholpur)
ANDHRA PRADESH	Hindupurt (Anantpur) Kurnool (Vizianagaram) Nellore	Khammam (Khammam) Rangareddy Ongole (Prakasam) Warrangal
BIHAR	Begusarai (Begusarai)	Chittor
NIL	Bhagalpur (Bhagalpur) Chhapra (Chhapra) Darbhanga (Darbhanga) Hazaribagh (Hazaribagh) Muzaffarpur (Muzaffarpur)	